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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM AMBASSADOR ROSENBLATT TO
DONALD ANDERSON

1. (U) ON MY RETURN TO WASHINGTON I FOUND A LETTER FROM
SENATOR FRANK F. BLAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE POLITICAL STATUS
COMMISSION OF GUAM, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT. I WISH TO EXTEND MY APPRECIATION FOR YOUR
MEETING WITH US AND SHARING YOUR VIEWS ON MICRONESIAN POLI-
TICAL STATUS ISSUES DURING YOUR RECENT TRIP TO GUAM.

THE MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION OF GUAM
BELIEVE THAT EFFORTS TO SEEK AN IMPROVEMENT IN GUAM'S TERRI-
TORIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES CAN BE ENHANCED
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THROUGH A GREATER UNDERSTANDING AND AWARENESS OF THE POSI-
TIONS TAKEN BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE MICRONESIAN DELEGA-
TIONS ON ISSUES OF VITAL INTEREST TO THE TERRITORY OF GUAM.

THEREFORE, WE WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM OUR REQUEST THAT REPRE-
SENTATIVES OF OUR POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION BE CONSIDERED
AS INVITEE OBSERVERS DURING STATUS NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN YOUR

OFFICE AND THE MICRONESIAN DELEGATES.

WE ALSO BELIEVE OUR PARTICIPATION AS OBSERVERS IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN STRENGTHENING ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL RELATIONSHIPS AMONG THE VARIOUS COMMUNITIES OF THE WESTERN PACIFIC. IF OUR COMMUNITIES ARE TO PERHAPS SHARE COMMON BOND (SIC) OF NATIONALITY, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT GREATER EFFORTS BE MADE TO OPEN DIALOGUES ON ALL MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

END TEXT.

I AM MAILING A LETTER REPLYING TO SEN BLAS THIS DATE. IT FOLLOWS THE CONCEPT OUTLINED IN PARA 3 BELOW.

2. (U) I MET WITH THE SENATOR AND SPEAKER ADA IN SEPTEMBER AND THERE AND THEN UNDERTOOK TO KEEP THEM FULLY INFORMED ON THE PROGRESS OF OUR NEGOTIATIONS. YOUR PRESENCE IN GUAM WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO REDEEM THAT PLEDGE AS TO THE MOLOKAI ROUND. PLEASE, THEREFORE, INDICATE YOUR PREPAREDNESS TO BRIEF THE AFOREMENTIONED, GOV BORDALLO AND, SHOULD HE REQUEST IT, LT.GOV SABLAN. YOU SHOULD ALSO BRIEF BISHOP FLORES IF TIME PERMITS. I HAVE MET WITH EACH.

3. (U) ALL OF THE MICRONESIAN PARTIES AND WE HAVE AGREED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THERE WILL BE NO OBSERVERS AT ANY OF THE NEGOTIATING ROUNDS. COMPLIANCE WITH SENATOR BLAS' REQUEST WILL NOT, THEREFORE, BE POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, WE INTEND TO KEEP GUAMANIAN'S CLOSELY INFORMED OF PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS. TO THAT END, I WILL SEE CONGRESSMAN WON PAT, YOU WILL VISIT PARTIES REFERRED TO IN (2) ABOVE AND OMSN WILL STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH GUAMANIAN LEADERSHIP ON THIS SUBJECT IN THE FUTURE.

4. (LOU) FYI: YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GUAMANIAN'S AND MICRONESIAN'S AND THE FACT THAT FORMER APPEARED IN JULY GUAM ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE ATTACHED TO PALAUAN DELEGATION. END FYI. IF THE SUBJECT OF ATTACHMENT TO U.S. DELEGATION IS RAISED BY GUAMANIAN'S (WHICH, SO FAR AS I KNOW, IT NEVER HAS) YOU SHOULD DISCOURAGE ITS FURTHER PURSUIT UPON THE GROUND THAT U.S. DEL IS COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF EXEC BRANCH DEPARTMENTS WITH NATIONAL SECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES AND THAT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES ARE DISCHARGED ON BEHALF OF ALL AMERICANS, INCLUDING GUAMANIAN'S. IF SUBJECT OF ATTACHMENT TO A MICRONESIAN DELEGATION IS RAISED YOU SHOULD SUGGEST INAPPROPRIATENESS OF SUCH ACTION BY A U.S. TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT,

GIVEN THE FACT THAT MICRONESIANS ARE NON-U.S. CITIZENS NEG-
OTIATING WITH THE U.S. FOR A FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS WHICH

WILL NOT CONFER U.S. CITIZENSHIP.

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